

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1140

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By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, petition of John W. Scibak and others relative to establishing a school district reimbursement plan for the Commonwealth. Education.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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### PETITION OF:

John W. Scibak  
Shirley Gomes

Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.  
Peter V. Kocot

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SCHOOL CHOICE CIRCUIT BREAKER.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 12B of Chapter 76 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2003 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after  
3 subsection (o) the following subsection:—  
4 (p) Any sending district which experiences a net loss of more  
5 than 5% of its student population in a given grade or a net loss of  
6 more than 10% of its total student population from the prior year  
7 due to school choice, shall also be eligible to apply for a school  
8 choice reimbursement from the commonwealth as provided in  
9 subsection (n) . The reimbursement amount shall be equal to 50  
10 percent of the school choice tuition amount for each student  
11 enrolling in a receiving district in excess of 5% of the total popu-  
12 lation in a given grade during the prior year for the sending dis-  
13 trict or in excess of 10% of the total population during the prior  
14 year in the sending district.